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The amendment filed on 2/5/04 is not fully responsive because: The amendment did not include the amendment to the abstract and the amendment to the specification that were included in the non-responsive amendment filed on 10/28/03. The amendment filed on 10/28/03 was a non-compliant amendment and was not entered. In addition, the amendment to the specification and the abstract in paper filed on 10/28/03 were not in compliance with revised amendment practice 37 CFR 1.121. The amendments to the specification and to the abstract did not each begin on a separate sheet. In addition, the amendment filed on 10/28/03 provided a marked-up copy of the abstract and a clean version of the abstract. The revised guidelines state that an accompanying clean version of the abstract is not required and should not be presented.

When filing the amendment to this instant action, applicants are reminded to follow the revised amendment practice 37 CFR 1.121. See 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 (June 30, 2003) or website <http://www.uspto.gov/web/patents/ifw/>.

Since the submission appears to be a bona fide attempt to provide a complete reply to the prior Office action, applicant is given a shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this letter, whichever is longer, to submit a complete reply. This shortened statutory period for reply supersedes the time period set in the prior Office action. This time period may be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brian Whiteman whose telephone number is (571) 272-0764. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 7:00 to 4:00 (Eastern Standard Time), with alternating Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John LeGuyader, SPE - Art Unit 1635, can be reached at (571) 272-0760.

Papers related to this application may be submitted to Group 1600 by facsimile transmission. Papers should be faxed to Group 1600 via the PTO Fax Center located in Crystal Mall 1. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). The CM1 Fax Center number is (703) 872-9306.

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